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To The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:

U.S. Patent Application 09/764,783 for "METHOD OF PROCESSING BLOOD SAMPLES IN ORDER TO PRODUCE DNA COMPLEX PATTERNS FOR DIAGNOSTIC APPLICATIONS"; Inventors: Gloria Elena Leon Paz de Rodriguez & Gin Wu; Group Art Unit: 1655; Examiner: Chakrabarti, Arun K.

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed, please find the following:

- Amendment under Rule 1.116 (4 pp) to Final Official Action dated July 1, 2002 1. (with APPENDIX A: redlined claims 3 pp).
- 2. One (1) Notice of Appeal (1 pp).
- One Request for Reconsideration (1 pp). 3.
- One (1) Petition for Extension of time (1 month). 4.
- Our check No. 3290 in the amount of \$55.00 for filing response with one 5. month extension.
- One (1) Revocation of Power of Attorney, Power of Attorney, and Change of 6. Correspondence of Address duly executed.
- Our post card. Please date stamp and return. 7.

#### FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

Highest Claims number remaining previously after

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a. Total Effective Claims* 6 minus** 20 = 0 X \$ 9.00 =		00.00
b Independent Claims* 2 minus*** = 0 X \$39.00 =		00.00
c. Amendment enters multiple dependent claim(s) in application, add \$130	.00+	FF 00
d. Original due date: [x] October 1, 2002	\$ 2	55.00
e. Notice of Appeal: [X] yes		160.00
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Please charge any additional or unanticipated fees to our Deposit Account 03-3565 (a duplicate copy of this charge authorization is attached.) Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

October 28, 2002

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE TECH CENTER 1600/2900

In re Application of:

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## PROPOSED AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 1.116

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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Responsive to the Final Official Action dated 1 July 2001, the time to respond which is herein extended by one month to November 1, 2002, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

#### IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 7-20.

Please amend claims 1 and 2 as follows, shown here in clean form. A redlined version is being submitted herewith on a separate sheet.

- 1. A method of processing human blood samples to form a DNA complex strand pattern, comprising the steps of:
- a. mixing a sample of blood containing plasma and blood cells with an anticoagulant to form an anti-coagulated blood mixture;
- b. centrifuging the anti-coagulated blood mixture in order to separate the plasma from the blood cells;